

fact to the Collector of Internal Revenue and, if possible, should indicate what branch of the service they are entering and the time of entry. Communications containing this information should be addressed by the physician in the Northern California area to:

Collector of Internal Revenue,
Attention: Narcotics Division,
Federal Office Building,
San Francisco, California.

Physicians in the Southern California area should address such communications to:

Collector of Internal Revenue,
Attention: Narcotics Division,
Tenth Floor,
New Federal Office Building,
Los Angeles, California.

On receipt of such information, the Narcotics Division of the office of the Collector of Internal Revenue will place the physician on what is termed an "inactive list" for the duration of his military service. If the Narcotics Division is not so informed, physicians will be placed on the "delinquent list" and, it is stated, will encounter difficulty with the office of the Collector of Internal Revenue upon their discharge from military service.

The State Division of Narcotics Control advises that physicians should keep their narcotic prescription books in some safe depository with their other records. The books should not be sent back to the Division of Narcotics Control by the physician entering military service but should be kept for future use upon discharge from the armed forces.

Very truly yours,

HARTLEY F. PEART.

Concerning California Law Applicable to Persons Practicing Medicine Without a License.

(COPY)

Los Angeles, Calif., July 21, 1942.

Re: Peo. vs. Earle Musgrave—No. 12692 (misdemeanor).
Dear Dr. Pinkham:

The above entitled case was called for trial July 20, 1942, in Division 7, Municipal Court, City of Los Angeles, where defendant waived trial by jury, and case was transferred to Division 8 for court trial before Judge LeRoy Dawson. Defendant was found guilty, applied for probation and case was set for hearing on application for probation, and for sentence in Division 8, August 3, 2 p.m.

At the conclusion of this trial, Judge LeRoy Dawson made the following comment:

"It is one of the most unfortunate situations we have in this State, wherein a person found guilty of practicing medicine without a license, endangering the lives of human beings, cannot be charged with anything but a misdemeanor. It is shameful that a person who violates these provisions of the medical laws cannot be adjudged guilty of a felony and given more severe punishment when the situation is an aggravated one, but our State Legislature has adjudged it to be a misdemeanor."

Yours very truly,

BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS,
S. W. BROOKS, *Assistant Special Agent.*

Concerning Dangers Connected with Home Canning.

State of California

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
612 Phelan Building, San Francisco

July 22, 1942.

To the Editor:—With the increase in home canning, it is anticipated that there will be many deaths due to botulism in California this year unless an extensive educational campaign is conducted. Your assistance in this program is requested.

Enclosed is a copy of a circular letter which we are sending to the County Medical Societies, together with the leaflet entitled, *If You Eat Home-Canned Foods, Read This*—We are eager to obtain wide distribution for this leaflet, and would appreciate your aid in any way possible. Additional copies in any quantity you desire will be supplied by this office.

We also wish to thank you for sending us the addresses of the County Medical Societies.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) MILTON P. DUFFY,
Chief, Bureau Food and Drug Inspections.

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Very truly yours,

(Signed) MILTON P. DUFFY,
Chief, Bureau Food and Drug Inspections.

Concerning a Training Course for Practical Nurses.

SAN FRANCISCO COMMITTEE FOR SERVICE TO EMIGRÉS
(Federation of Jewish Charities)

1600 Scott Street

San Francisco, Calif., July 3, 1942.

To the Editor:—We are enclosing an outline of the Training Course for Practical Nurses.

Very truly yours,

SAN FRANCISCO COMMITTEE FOR
SERVICE TO EMIGRÉS,
SANFORD TREGUBOFF, *Secretary.*

A short and intensive Training Course for Practical Nurses is now in progress under the sponsorship of the San Francisco Committee for Service to Emigrés. The instructor is Mrs. Alfred Heuermann, former Assistant Superintendent of Nurses at the Johns Hopkins Hospital.

There are 20 women enrolled, most of whom have had previous nursing experience in Europe. The main object of the course is to familiarize the students with American methods of simple home nursing. The women will be qualified to go into homes where the patients require bed care but where it is not necessary to have the services of a graduate nurse.

The course started on June 16, 1942, in the Mt. Zion Hospital Nurses Home and will be completed on July 15, 1942. The services of these women may be procured through the employment department of the San Francisco Committee for Service to Emigrés, 1600 Scott Street, telephone FI 4513.